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Advisory Action Before the Filing of an Appeal Brief	Application No. 09/385,102	Applicant(s) SHIMA, TOSHIHIRO	
	Examiner CHAN S PARK	Art Unit 2622	

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THE REPLY FILED 24 February 2005 FAILS TO PLACE THIS APPLICATION IN CONDITION FOR ALLOWANCE.

1. ☒ The reply was filed after a final rejection, but prior to filing a Notice of Appeal. To avoid abandonment of this application, applicant must timely file one of the following replies: (1) an amendment, affidavit, or other evidence, which places the application in condition for allowance; (2) a Notice of Appeal (with appeal fee) in compliance with 37 CFR 41.31; or (3) a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.114. The reply must be filed within one of the following time periods:

- a) ☐ The period for reply expires _____ months from the mailing date of the final rejection.
 b) ☒ The period for reply expires on: (1) the mailing date of this Advisory Action, or (2) the date set forth in the final rejection, whichever is later. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the mailing date of the final rejection.

Examiner Note: If box 1 is checked, check either box (a) or (b). ONLY CHECK BOX (b) WHEN THE FIRST REPLY WAS FILED WITHIN TWO MONTHS OF THE FINAL REJECTION. See MPEP 706.07(f).

Extensions of time may be obtained under 37 CFR 1.136(a). The date on which the petition under 37 CFR 1.136(a) and the appropriate extension fee have been filed is the date for purposes of determining the period of extension and the corresponding amount of the fee. The appropriate extension fee under 37 CFR 1.17(a) is calculated from: (1) the expiration date of the shortened statutory period for reply originally set in the final Office action; or (2) as set forth in (b) above, if checked. Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of the final rejection, even if timely filed, may reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b).

NOTICE OF APPEAL

2. ☐ The reply was filed after the date of filing a Notice of Appeal, but prior to the date of filing an appeal brief. The Notice of Appeal was filed on _____. A brief in compliance with 37 CFR 41.37 must be filed within two months of the date of filing the Notice of Appeal (37 CFR 41.37(a)), or any extension thereof (37 CFR 41.37(e)), to avoid dismissal of the appeal. Since a Notice of Appeal has been filed, any reply must be filed within the time period set forth in 37 CFR 41.37(a).

AMENDMENTS

3. ☒ The proposed amendment(s) filed after a final rejection, but prior to the date of filing a brief, will not be entered because
 (a) ☐ They raise new issues that would require further consideration and/or search (see NOTE below);
 (b) ☐ They raise the issue of new matter (see NOTE below);
 (c) ☒ They are not deemed to place the application in better form for appeal by materially reducing or simplifying the issues for appeal; and/or
 (d) ☐ They present additional claims without canceling a corresponding number of finally rejected claims.

NOTE: _____. (See 37 CFR 1.116 and 41.33(a)).


4. ☐ The amendments are not in compliance with 37 CFR 1.121. See attached Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment (PTOL-324).
 5. ☐ Applicant's reply has overcome the following rejection(s): _____.
 6. ☐ Newly proposed or amended claim(s) _____ would be allowable if submitted in a separate, timely filed amendment canceling the non-allowable claim(s).
 7. ☒ For purposes of appeal, the proposed amendment(s): a) ☒ will not be entered, or b) ☐ will be entered and an explanation of how the new or amended claims would be rejected is provided below or appended.
 The status of the claim(s) is (or will be) as follows:
 Claim(s) allowed: 5-7 and 15-17.
 Claim(s) objected to: _____.
 Claim(s) rejected: 1-4, 8-14 and 18-20.
 Claim(s) withdrawn from consideration: _____.

AFFIDAVIT OR OTHER EVIDENCE

8. ☐ The affidavit or other evidence filed after a final action, but before or on the date of filing a Notice of Appeal will not be entered because applicant failed to provide a showing of good and sufficient reasons why the affidavit or other evidence is necessary and was not earlier presented. See 37 CFR 1.116(e).
 9. ☐ The affidavit or other evidence filed after the date of filing a Notice of Appeal, but prior to the date of filing a brief, will not be entered because the affidavit or other evidence failed to overcome all rejections under appeal and/or appellant fails to provide a showing of good and sufficient reasons why it is necessary and was not earlier presented. See 37 CFR 41.33(d)(1).
 10. ☐ The affidavit or other evidence is entered. An explanation of the status of the claims after entry is below or attached.

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION/OTHER

11. ☒ The request for reconsideration has been considered but does NOT place the application in condition for allowance because:
Please refer to Repsonse to Amendment in current office action.
 12. ☐ Note the attached Information Disclosure Statement(s). (PTO/SB/08 or PTO-1449) Paper No(s). _____.
 13. ☐ Other: _____.


 EDWARD GOLES
 SUPERVISOR OF EXAMINERS

Advisory Action

1. The period for reply continues to run 6 MONTHS from the date of the final rejection. Any extension of time must be obtained by filing a petition under 37 CFR 1.136(a) accompanied by the appropriate fee. The date on which the petition under 37 CFR 1.136(a) and the appropriate extension fee have been filed is the date for purposes of determining the period of extension and the corresponding amount of the fee. A reply within the meaning of 37 CFR 1.113 or a request for a continued examination (RCE) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.114 must be timely filed to avoid abandonment of this application.

Response to Amendment

2. The amendment filed 2/24/05 under 37 CFR 1.116 in reply to the final rejection has been considered but is not deemed to place the application in condition for allowance and will not be entered because:

- a. Applicant's arguments have been fully considered but they are not persuasive.

In response to applicant's arguments regarding the rejection of ***claim 2, as currently amended***, wherein on pages 2-4, the applicant explains how the current invention is different from the teaching of Ueda. Particularly, the applicant states that Ueda fails to disclose means for extracting print job data from packet data, executing tasks based on priority, and altering the priority of tasks based on specific events. The

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examiner strongly disagrees. Referring to col. 22, lines 60-62, Ueda teaches that the received data, which is the packet data, is successively converted by CPU into intermediate codes. In other words, each print data shown in fig. 2 is extracted from the packet data for the conversion. Further, as set forth in the previously Office actions, dated 4/8/04 and 12/29/04, the examiner explained how the altering the relative priority sequence between the communication control means and the language control means is performed based on the specific event of the memory capacity. Refer to the previous rejection of claim 1.

Further, as noted above, the packet data (received data) is stored in the intermediate code memory 501 after the conversion (col. 22, lines 60-63). Thus, Ueda discloses a first memory (intermediate code memory 501) for storing the packet data received by said communication control means. Although the applicant seems to indicate that the packet data received by said communication control means is not converted into different data, this difference is not apparent in the current claim wording to overcome the prior art of Ueda.

In view of the above, the rejection of claims 2-4, as cited in the Office action dated 12/29/04 is maintained. Further, independent claims 8-11, and 18-20 include similar subject matter and are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by Ueda as discussed above with reference to claim 2. Dependent claims 12-14 are rejected for the same reasons. Accordingly, the rejection is maintained.

Conclusion

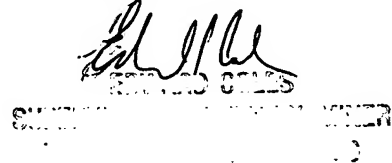
3. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to CHAN S PARK whose telephone number is (703) 305-2448. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F 8am-4:30pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Edward Coles can be reached on (703) 305-4712. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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March 10, 2005

Chan S. Park
Examiner
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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Chan S. Park', is written over a circular official stamp. The stamp contains the text 'EDWARD COLES' and 'SUPERVISOR' in a circular arrangement around a central point.